

# 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Christ's Suffering and Death Bring Division

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## AS WE GATHER

Today we worship the God who gives us His Word. The Word is at times like a fire or a hammer, speaking law and condemnation; but it is also the Word that encourages us with the Gospel, creating our faith response to His grace.

**OPENING PRAISE SONG:** House of The Lord Jonathan Smith | Phil Wickham

CCLI Song # 7168995

### Verse 1

We worship the God who was We worship the God who is  
We worship the God who evermore will be  
He opened the prison doors He parted the raging sea  
My God He holds the victory

### Chorus

There's joy in the house of the Lord  
There's joy in the house of the Lord today  
And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise  
There's joy in the house of the Lord  
Our God is surely in this place  
And we won't be quiet We shout out Your praise

### Interlude

We shout out Your praise

### Verse 2

We sing to the God who heals We sing to the God who saves  
We sing to the God who always makes a way  
'Cause He hung up on that cross Then He rose up from that grave  
My God's still rolling stones away

### Chorus

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## **WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **GREET ONE ANOTHER**

**INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

**PRAYER of CONFESSION**

Pastor: In view of our promised heritage in heaven, let us implore God's mercy, that in the forgiveness of our sins we may be granted strength to persevere until we obtain the outcome of our faith.

Pastor: We come humbly before You, O Lord, recognizing that we have not always responded to Your grace in faithfulness and obedience. Often we feel we deserve more or better, forgetting and rejecting Your Word and Your works of salvation.

**People: At times, we are lured by the world’s deceptions, consumed by greed, passion, and desire. We fail to be thoroughly grounded in Your Word. Forgive us, dear Lord, for rejoicing in the temporal treasures on earth instead of the eternal treasures of heaven.**

Pastor: We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

**People: Forgive my impatience and my neglect. By Your Spirit, lead me to greater faith, obedience, service, and repentance until Your call to eternal glory comes.**

Pastor: Our Lord invites us to come and see what He has done—He has given us solid promises that guard our faith in days of sorrow, suffering, confusion, conflict, and pain. He has sent His Son to be the Word of life. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, and through the work of our Savior Jesus Christ, all of your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen. Thanks be to God!**

**PRAISE SONG:** “There Is One Gospel”     Jonny Robinson | Rich Thompson

**Verse 1**

There is one Gospel on which I stand For all eternity  
It is my story my Father's plan The Son has rescued me  
Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace My highest joy and my deepest need  
Now and forever He is my light I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

**Verse 2**

There is one Gospel to which I cling All else I count as loss  
For there where justice and mercy meet He saved me on the cross  
No more I boast in what I can bring No more I carry the weight of sin  
For He has brought me from death to life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

**Verse 3**

There is one Gospel where hope is found The empty tomb still speaks  
For death could not keep my Savior down He lives and I am free  
Now on my Savior I fix my eyes My life is His and His hope is mine  
For He has promised I too will rise I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

**Verse 4**

And in this Gospel the church is one We do not walk alone  
We have His Spirit as we press on To lead us safely home  
And when in glory still I will sing Of this old story that rescued me  
Praise to my Savior the King of life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

**Ending**

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray together.

**All: Almighty and most merciful God, of Your bountiful goodness keep us, we pray, from all things that may hurt us that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish whatever things You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**TIME IN THE WORD**

**Children’s Bible Reading:** Page 326

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 23:16-29

This is what the Lord Almighty says: “Do not listen to what the prophets are prophesying to you; they fill you with false hopes. They speak visions from their own

minds, not from the mouth of the Lord. They keep saying to those who despise me, ‘The Lord says: You will have peace.’ And to all who follow the stubbornness of their hearts they say, ‘No harm will come to you.’ But which of them has stood in the council of the Lord to see or to hear his word? Who has listened and heard his word? See, the storm of the Lord will burst out in wrath, a whirlwind swirling down on the heads of the wicked. The anger of the Lord will not turn back until he fully accomplishes the purposes of his heart. In days to come you will understand it clearly. I did not send these prophets, yet they have run with their message; I did not speak to them, yet they have prophesied. But if they had stood in my council, they would have proclaimed my words to my people and would have turned them from their evil ways and from their evil deeds. “Am I only a God nearby,” declares the Lord, “and not a God far away? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them?” declares the Lord. “Do not I fill heaven and earth?” declares the Lord. “I have heard what the prophets say who prophesy lies in my name. They say, ‘I had a dream! I had a dream!’ How long will this continue in the hearts of these lying prophets, who prophesy the delusions of their own minds? They think the dreams they tell one another will make my people forget my name, just as their ancestors forgot my name through Baal worship. Let the prophet who has a dream recount the dream but let the one who has my word speak it faithfully. For what has straw to do with grain?” declares the Lord. “Is not my word like fire,” declares the Lord, “and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces? Here ends the Reading.

**Epistle Reading:** Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3

By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had embraced the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son, even though God had said to him, “It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned.” Abraham reasoned that God could even raise the dead, and so in a manner of speaking he did receive Isaac back from death. By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau in regard to their future. By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of Joseph’s sons, and worshiped as he leaned on the top of his staff. By faith Joseph, when his end was near, spoke about the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt and gave instructions concerning

the burial of his bones. By faith, Moses’ parents hid him for three months after he was born, because they saw he was no ordinary child, and they were not afraid of the king’s edict. By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh’s daughter. He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward. By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the king’s anger; he persevered because he saw him who is invisible. By faith he kept the Passover and the application of blood, so that the destroyer of the firstborn would not touch the firstborn of Israel. By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the army had marched around them for seven days. By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient. Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Here ends the Reading.

Please rise out of respect for the words and ministry of Jesus Christ.

**The Holy Gospel:** Luke 12:49-56

“I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! But I have a baptism to undergo, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division. From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.” He said to the crowd: “When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, ‘It’s going to rain,’ and it does. And when the south wind blows, you say, ‘It’s going to be hot,’ and it is. Hypocrites! You

know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky. How is it that you don't know how to interpret this present time?  
Here ends the Reading.

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE**

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** “Amazing Grace” Zion Bell Choir

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING SONG:** “Savior” Jacob Daniel | Shoup | Ornellas | Crawford | Love  
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**Verse 1**

There is one giving hope when all is hopeless  
To redeem the mess we made  
There is one stronger than our sinful weakness  
with a love that will not change

**Pre-chorus**

God so loved us, poured out for us,  
Your grace, It knows no end!

**Chorus**

SAVIOR, living Son Your death won life for us  
What’s impossible is possible oh SAVIOR, mighty one  
is Greater than all the dark  
What’s impossible is possible oh  
SAVIOR SAVIOR

**Verse 2**

There is one Taking back all that’s been stolen  
Breathing life into the grave  
There is one Restoring all that has been broken  
And His arms are strong to save

**Pre-chorus**

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**Bridge**

Hope of our redemption story Only you deserve the glory  
We know that - You’ll save us Rescuer of every nation  
You’re the rock Of our salvation We know that - You are the  
SAVIOR, SAVIOR

**Chorus**

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**SEND OFF**

Leader: At Zion Lutheran we are committed to reaching out, strengthening the saved,

**All: and serving Jesus Christ by serving others!**